



News from
Councilmember Todd Gloria

City of San Diego ▪ District Three

NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release: November 17, 2010

Contact: Katie Keach, 858-245-7673

City of San Diego Secures Funding to Complete Home Avenue Park
Park will Serve Many Mid-City Communities

SAN DIEGO, CA (November 17, 2010) – San Diego City Councilmember Todd Gloria today proudly announced that the long-awaited Home Avenue Neighborhood Park will soon be complete thanks to a \$2,800,150 State grant to the City of San Diego.

“Mid-City neighbors will soon have a new park,” said Councilmember Gloria. “I am grateful to the community for its dedication to this project, to City staff for its hard work securing the funds, and to the State for recognizing the benefit that will be provided by Home Avenue Neighborhood Park.”

The approximately six acre site is in the park-deficient community of City Heights and includes a portion of Auburn Creek, which is part of the Chollas Creek system. It will serve the neighborhoods of Council Districts 3 and 4 with two acres of park amenities like a comfort station, children’s play area, off-leash dog area, half-court basketball area and an open lawn. The project will also include restoration of the degraded Auburn Creek habitat. Street safety improvements are also planned, and the Redevelopment Agency’s City Heights Project Area Committee has recommended \$500,000 to fund them.

The park was designed using City funds, and the environmental review process has begun. The City of San Diego applied for State Proposition 84 funds to construct the park. The statewide park grant program was intensely competitive. Home Avenue Park was one of the 62 selected for funding from a pool of almost 500 applicants. The City will need to complete construction 24-30 months from the funding date.

Maintenance costs of approximately \$24,011 would be requested in future City budgets based on the park’s estimated completion date of Fiscal Year 2014.

###